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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 24, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: